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SUBJECT: FORMULATION OF IEA COOPERATIVE PROGRAM ON COAL
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REF: STATE 045613

1. LESLIE GRANGER, NATIONAL COAL BOARD (NCB), AND DR.

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WALTER MARSHALL, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, AGREE IN PRINCIPLE

TO HOLDING PRELIMINARY EXPERTS MEETING MARCH 11-12 IN LONDON. NCB WILL CABLE OTHER PARTICIPANTS MARCH 4 INVITING THEM TO FURTHER TWO-DAY MEETING. HMG WILL PREPARE TERMS OF REFERENCE PAPER WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BEFOREHAND.

2. MARSHALL INFORMS US HE WOULD LIKE MEETINGS TO ACCOMPLISH TWO OBJECTIVES. FIRST, HE HOPES TO TIE UP RE-SOURCE ASSESSMENT SO THAT HE CAN MEET HIS MARCH 20 DEADLINE. SECOND, HE HOPES TO DISCUSS COAL MINING AND TECHNOLOGY SO THAT HE CAN ACHIEVE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN MEETING REQUIREMENT FOR EVALUATION OF WORLD COAL R&D EVALUATION BY JUNE 30. MARSHALL DISCUSSED LATTER POINT WITH SCHMIDT-KUESTER ON FEBRUARY 28.

3. J.F. HARRISON WILL SERVE AS NATIONAL COAL BOARD CO-ORDINATOR FOR MARCH 11-13 MEETING (NCB, HOBART HOUSE, GROSVENOR PLACE, LONDON W1, TEL: 01-235-2020). RICHARDSON

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